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## NRA Applauds Trump Administration for Restoring Access to Utah Public Lands

**Fairfax, Va.**— The National Rifle Association's Institute for Legislative Action (NRA-ILA) today applauded President Trump and Secretary of the Interior

Ryan Zinke's decision to restore access to public lands in Utah. President Trump announced today he intends to shrink the size of the Bears Ears and the Grand-Staircase Escalante national monuments spanning millions of acres in Utah. The two national monuments were among 27 that President Trump ordered Interior Secretary Zinke to review earlier this year.

"The NRA applauds President Trump and Secretary Zinke's decision to restore access to public lands in Utah. Under the Trump Administration, decisions regarding national public lands are transparent and being made with the input of America's sportsmen and women. Hunters and sportsmen serve as the backbone of modern natural resource management in the United States. It's refreshing that the Trump Administration values their input," said Chris W. Cox, NRA- ILA executive director. "Our nation's remarkable resource management successes over the last century have only been possible because of traditional uses, such as hunting and recreational shooting. President Trump and Secretary Zinke have ushered in a new era for hunters and sportsmen ensuring that they remain an important partner in preserving and utilizing America's public lands."

To view letter Chris W. Cox sent Secretary Zinke on this matter, click <u>here</u>.

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